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Warsaw, August 16. *N. S.*

THE *Saxon* Forces continue their March home by the way of *Prussia*, and 'tis said the King of *Poland* will go in few days to *Mariembourg*, to take a Review of them as they pass by that Place. Letters from *Wilna* say, divers of the chief Nobility of that Dutchy, and the Deputies from the several Palatinates, are met there; That the Sieur *Siminsky*, Commissioner from the King of *Poland*, had delivered to them a Letter from the King, exhorting them to lay aside all private Animosities, and to endeavour to restore the Publick Quiet, which has been so long interrupted by the Differences between the House of *Sapieha* and the Confederated Nobility; A Proposal was made by one of the Assembly, to call together the Militia to defend the Frontiers of *Lithuania*, seeing the *Swedish* Army was come so near them; but it was thought more advisable to send Deputies first to the King of *Sweden*, to represent to him, That the Republick of *Poland* not being engaged in the War against him, they hoped he would not suffer his Troops to enter into their Territories. 'Tis said, this Assembly will continue at *Wilna* till the return of their Deputies from the *Swedish* Camp, and that they will afterwards adjourn to *Grodno*, from whence they may with greater conveniency Correspond with this Court. Letters from *Courland* say, the *Swedes* have demanded great Contributions of the Inhabitants of that Country, and have ordered the Magistrates of the several Towns to furnish them with a great number of Wagons for the use of their Army. They have undermined the Castle of *Mittaw*, in order to demolish the same.

Cologne, Aug. 30. The States of the Electorate of *Cologne*, who are still assembled at *Bon*, not being satisfied with the Answer which the Elector of *Cologne* has given them in relation to his new Levies, they have pressed him to declare who furnished him with Money to make the said Levies, and what his Engagement is with *France*; And insist, that these new-raised Forces be immediately disbanded, or obliged to take an Oath of Fidelity to the Chapter of *Cologne*; But his Electoral Highness has not yet returned them an Answer. The Forces of the Elector Palatine continue to draw together near *Mulheim*, about a League from this Place; and 'tis said they will be joined by 12 Regiments of the King of *Prussia*'s Forces.

Brussels, Sept. 2. The Marshal *de Boufflers* is come hither from *Louvain*, to be present at the Review of the *Spanish* Foot encamped near this Place on the 4th or 5th Instant. 'Tis said, the *Spanish* Forces are to be augmented, by adding 10 Men to each Company of Foot, and as many to each Troop of Horse. The Equipage of the Duke of *Maine* is returned hither from *Guelderland*. There is a great Sickness at *Antwerp* among the Soldiers and Burghers, occasioned, as 'tis thought, by the unwholsome Vapours arising from the Ground that is broke up about that Place, to make their new Fortications.

Paris, Sept. 7. *N. S.* This Court has, within these 2 or 3 days, received three Expresses from the *French* Army in *Italy*; The first, of the 29th past, gave an Account, that Marshal *Villeroy* held a Council of War the day before, and declared he had Orders to attack the *Germans*; upon which it was agreed to pass over the *Oglio* into the Country of *Brescia*, and to leave Monsieur *Precontall* with a Detachment on this side the River, who should post themselves over-against *Palazzuolo* and *Ponte Oglio*; The second Express brought Letters of the 30th, which advised, that Marshal *Villeroy* with the whole Army, consisting of 90 Squadrons of Horse and 69 Battalions of Foot, had passed the River near *Rudiano*, and that they were marching directly to the *Germans*; And the third Express, which came away the first Instant, left the advanced Guards of both Armies within an *Italian* Mile of each other, the *Germans* at *Chiari*, and the *French* between *Chiari* and *Rudiano*. The Imperialists had strongly intrenched their Camp, expecting in few days a considerable Reinforcement; In the mean time, tho inferiour in number, they were very eager to engage the *French*; but the Country being full of small Rivers and Canals, 'twas not thought possible for more than 5 or 6000 of a side to engage at a time. The *Germans* have fortified *Palazzuolo*, where they were making a great Magazine of Ammunition and Provisions. A Party of the Imperialists have taken several *French* Officers; and their Parties have hitherto always had the advantage. The Duke of *Maine* and the Count of *Toulouse*'s Equipage are coming back from *Flanders*, and several General Officers are returned to Court from thence. The Envoy of *Saxe Gotha* had Publick Audience of the King yesterday. The same day the *Venetian* Ambassador's Son, who is about 5 Months